

The State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education held a work session on Thursday, March 15, 2012 in the Cabinet Room of the Townsend Building, Dover, Delaware.

Present were: Dr. Teri Quinn Gray, President; Jorge L. Melendez, Vice President; Gregory B. Coverdale, Jr., G. Patrick Heffernan, Barbara B. Rutt, Dr. Terry M. Whittaker, Dr. James L. Wilson and Donna R. Johnson, State Board Executive Director. Also in attendance were Catherine Hickey, Deputy Attorney General and legal counsel for the State Board of Education, Karen Field Rogers, Associate Secretary for Financial Reform and Resource Management; and Reese Robinson. Patrick McKeon from the Office of Management and Budget was also present.

It was noted that a quorum of the Board was present and the work session was called to order at 9:43 a.m. by Board member Barbara Rutt. President Gray and Vice President Melendez were expected but requested that the Board begin the work session once a quorum was established.

The Board was presented with information on the longitudinal data system and performance dashboard by Ms. Rogers and Mr. Robinson. The difference between a warehouse and dashboard were highlighted and the information and databases that can be accessed. Teachers can access information on their students and principals can access information on all students in the school, by class, as well as by teacher. Three districts (Appoquinimink, Lake Forest and Woodbridge) will begin to pilot the system in April. It was noted that other districts and charter schools have expressed interest to also participate.

After a brief recess, Ms. Johnson provided iPad basics for the members of the State Board. Each member received and signed the Acceptable Use Policy and the Portable Wireless Network Access Device Policy was distributed. More in depth training will be provided at a later date as the Board moves forward in its paper-free initiative.

The work session was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.